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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed April 5, 1999, please consider the following remarks:

REMARKS

Claims 1-18 are pending in this application. On May 28, 1999 the undersigned attorney spoke with the Examiner regarding the references used in the rejection of claims 4-5 and 14-15 (page 5 of the Office Action). In the Office Action, the Examiner rejected the claims under Kassatly in view of Nakayama, but in the detailed rejection applied Windrem instead of Kassatly. In the telephone conversation, the Examiner indicated that Windrem was an error and should be replaced with Kassatly for this rejection. Accordingly this